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LOK SABHA

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SOUTHERN GAS GRID
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to create Southern Gas Grid;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status of LNG terminal at Ennore port?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (b): A draft Pipeline Policy which envisages the progressive development of a nation-wide gas grid in a competitive environment, involving both the public sector and the private sector, is under consideration of the Government. Implementation of pipeline segments in different areas will, inter alia, depend upon achieving appropriate sources of gas supply and marketing tie-ups.

Subject to tie-up of appropriate sources of gas supply and marketing tie-ups, GAIL envisage laying the following pipelines in the Southern part of the country:

1. Kochi-Kanjirkkod-Mangalore-Kanjirkkod-Coimbatore-Bangalore.

2. Kochi-Kayamkulam.

3. Kakinada-Chennai.

(c): The proposal for setting up an LNG terminal at Ennore is at the initial stage.